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First Named Inventor	Fogal et al.
Art Unit	2823
Examiner Name	Khiem D. Nguyen
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b. Other _____

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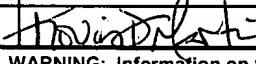
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